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		First Named Inventor	Schwonke et al.
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims**    **Extra Claims**    **Fee (\$)**    **Fee Paid (\$)**  
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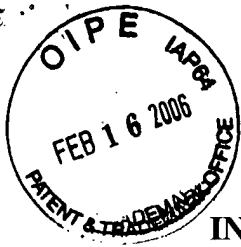
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	)	
Title: LINOLEUM-BASED PLANAR STRUCTURE	)	Confirmation No.: 7824
AND PROCESS FOR MAKING SAME	)	
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and further examination in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Conclusion** is on page 11 of this paper.

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